

Albemarle Oct 5. 1817

Dear Sir

By your letter of the 3<sup>d</sup>. which I have  
this moment received, I infer that I have misun-  
derstood, the passport of that which you sent me,  
from the compy. at New York, relative to the  
order of Mrs Nordmannville for furniture. I sup-  
posed that the order given by the compy, or  
Paris, at his instance, would be obeyed, tho'  
it would take longer time to do it, than we  
had desired. By your last I am inclined to think  
that you understand it, to import, that it will  
be obeyed, provided it can be done within three  
months and not otherwise. I return you the  
letter, & if this is its true import, I leave it  
to you to take the most effectual & expedient  
our means in your power, to obtain the  
furniture, either by ordering it from France  
or contracting <sup>for</sup> having it made in the  
country, tho' in my judgment it will be  
best to request Mrs Russell to send it out.  
In the latter case, explain the affair to her  
Nordmannville, & reconduct him to the  
measures,



as I wish to show the greatest delicacy and kind-  
ness to him.

Have you heard from Mr. Ford? my in-  
quiries since my return home have proved  
my writing him, but I have relied on you  
doing it, or Col. Lane's. Mr. Worthington, be-  
ing near my former residence, un-  
dertook to prepare a draft if not other-  
wise, and as I think takes but for me. I  
heard with surprise on my arrival at  
Washington that no steps had been taken  
in the business. It is so good as look into this  
affair.

With real esteem yours  
James Monroe







From the President

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